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If every man worked at that for
which nature fitted him, the cows
would be well tended.—Jean
Pierre Claris De Florian.

HALF A BILLION PROFITS IN EIGHT SHORT YEARS

**Assets of the Standard Oil Increased From
\$200,000,623 to \$371,664,531 in
Same Length of Time.**

**Dividends of \$308,359,430 Paid From 1899 to 1906—Facts
Being Brought Out at Hearing in New York.**

New York, Sept. 17.—Profits aggregating \$490,315,934 were made by the Standard Oil company in the eight years from 1899 to 1906. Testimony to this effect was given by Assistant Comptroller Fay, of the company, in the federal hearing here today. In the same period, the company's gross assets increased from \$200,000,623 to \$371,664,531. This is the first time the company's earnings have been made public.

A list of securities owned by the Standard Oil company of New Jersey presented today, shows that the corporation owns 999,000 shares of the Standard Oil company of Indiana, which company was recently sentenced by Judge Landis, in Chicago, to pay a fine of \$29,240,000.

In addition to stating that in the period of eight years referred to, the company's total profits aggregated \$490,315,934, Mr. Fay said that dividends to the amount of \$308,359,430 were paid in those years. His statement also disclosed that the capital stock of the Standard Oil company of New Jersey was \$96,998,612 in 1899 and \$98,338,382 in 1906.

New York, Sept. 17.—Testimony was heard today in the federal suit against the Standard Oil company of New Jersey. The hearing here in the federal suit, which was brought in St. Louis last December, has twice been adjourned at the request of counsel for the defendants. In the meantime, however, Frank B. Kellogg, who is in charge of the government's case, has obtained many books and papers from the Standard Oil company, which has enabled him to proceed expeditiously with the case. Mr. Kellogg intimated today that the government would also inquire into the character and nature of holdings of the Standard Oil company of New Jersey, as well as its affiliations, if any, with railroads.

List of Defendants.

The government has named not only the Standard Oil company of New Jersey, as defendant, but also seventy subsidiary companies of the main corporation, and the following individuals: John D. Rockefeller, William Rockefeller, Henry H. Rogers, Henry M. Flagler, Oliver H. Payne, Charles M. Pratt and John D. Archbold. Only William M. Rockefeller and Charles M. Pratt have been subpoenaed to appear at the hearing, although Mr. Kellogg may subpoena the others later.

When today's hearing was called before former Judge Franklin Ferris, E. C. Benedict of the former owners of the Manhattan Oil company, testified as to the sale of the concern which passed into the hands of the Standard Oil company.

Secretary on the Stand.

Charles M. Pratt, a director and secretary of the Standard Oil company, testified that his knowledge of the holdings of the company in other companies, was only general. He was asked to produce documents showing the officers and directors and the capitalization of all companies in which the Standard holds stock interest.

Mr. Kellogg developed the information that the C. M. Pratt Investment company came into existence at the time the Waters-Pierce Oil company was having difficulties with the state of Texas. Mr. Kellogg asked if it was not a fact that the Standard company and its subsidiary companies were governed by committees. Mr. Pratt said he did not think so, though in the early days of the trusteeship of the company it was likely that the company was controlled by committees.

Could Not Tell About the Books.

Mr. Pratt, as one of the liquidating trustees of the Standard Oil trust, said there were books kept, but he could not recall in whose possession they might be found.

"Don't you know whether those books are to be found in the comptroller's office or the secretary's office?" asked Mr. Kellogg.

"I really don't know," answered the witness.

"Don't you know anything about the organization of the Standard Oil company?" pursued Mr. Kellogg.

"No, sir, I do not," was Mr. Pratt's answer.

Exchanged Share for Share.

Mr. Kellogg asked the witness if it was not a fact that at the time the Standard Oil trust was liquidated, there were 970,700 outstanding trustees' certificates, which had been issued for the stocks of the subsidiary companies and that in 1892, when the Standard Oil trust was dissolved, the Standard Oil company of New Jersey exchanged its stock for the certificates of the trust, share for share?

"I think so," replied Mr. Pratt.

Mr. Kellogg asked John G. Milburn, chief counsel for the defendants, to produce all liquidating certificates issued by the liquidating trustees, which had been turned into the Standard Oil company of New Jersey, and to show the direction of the assignments of legal title given by those who received the stock of the Standard Oil company of New Jersey.

Mr. Pratt was excused for the time being.

CHICAGO'S NEW CITY CHARTER BURIED UNDER AVALANCHE OF ADVERSE BALLOTS

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 17.—The new charter authorized by the state legislature at its last session for the city of Chicago was rejected by the voters at today's special election by a majority of over 62,000. Little more than half of the registered voters cast final figures, unofficial, showing 58,496 ballots for the charter and 122,034 against. The total vote polled was 181,000, out of a registered vote of 260,000.

The light vote was due to some extent to the fact that the election was a special one and that the granting of time off for the purpose of voting was optional with employers, and in the majority of cases voters were obliged to go to the polls before going to work or not at all.

SHOT WOMAN AND HERSELF GIRL IN DIABOLICAL PLOT

Double Tragedy at Goldfield Caused by Infatuation of a Crazy Frenchman.

(Special to The Herald.)
Goldfield, Nev., Sept. 17.—Mrs. Bertha Deschamps is lying at the point of death and Paul Archambault is dead as the result of a double shooting affair which occurred last night. Archambault, who is believed to be a Frenchman, was infatuated with Mrs. Deschamps and has been annoying her by his attentions. Last night he called to see her at the residence of Frank Kodack, where she had taken refuge. Mrs. Deschamps went on the porch to talk to the man and he drew a revolver and shot her through the abdomen. There is a chance for her recovery. Archambault left the house immediately and five minutes after put a bullet into his own head 200 feet away.

J. L. Halburn of Blair, the railroad terminus of the Pittsburg-Silver Peak company, was held up and robbed of \$2 last night while en route to Goldfield. Halburn was driving along the road last night when the highwayman called "Hands up!" He whipped up his horses, but was stopped by the zip of a couple of bullets which came close to his head. He stopped the team and was relieved under the muzzle of an automatic of the money and half a dozen gold nuggets.

Young Woman Ready to Sacrifice Her Life to Blow Up St. Petersburg Secret Police.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 17.—The police today arrested a young girl, nicknamed "Wanda," who is accused of participating in a plot to blow up the headquarters of the secret police, situated on the Molka canal, whose torture chambers have aroused bitter feelings on the part of the revolutionists. The police claim that "Wanda" planned to become a "walking bomb" and enter the headquarters building in the middle of the day, when it is generally full of police, wearing the uniform of a gendarme officer lined with walls of gun cotton and carrying powerful bombs. "Wanda," the police add, hoped by blowing herself up to reduce the entire building to ruins and kill all the officers composing the staff of the political police. The plot was betrayed and "Wanda" in custody, arrested a Jewish tailor in whose shop they seized a half-ready uniform which was intended for the woman.

In consequence of the murderous designs of the revolutionists, the secret police have decided to give up their present quarters, removing to an isolated stone building on Kamenny Island, where an elaborate electrical signal system will be installed in order to prevent undermining.

DEMOCRATS LAUNCH CITY CAMPAIGN WITH MORRIS AT THE HEAD

M.F. CUNNINGHAM
FOR TREASURER.

PERLEY A. HILL
FOR RECORDER.

RICHARD P. MORRIS
FOR MAYOR.

STEPHEN L. RICHARDS
FOR ATTORNEY.

MAXWELL R. BROTHERS
FOR AUDITOR.

TICKET NAMED BY DEMOCRATS WITH AUBRAH

**Platform Calls for Honest City
Government and Decent
Politics.**

EACH CHOICE UNANIMOUS

**JOHN DERN MAKES STRONG
PLEA FOR WIPING OUT OF
RELIGIOUS LINES.**

DEMOCRATIC TICKET.
+ For mayor, Richard P. Morris. +
+ For recorder, Perley A. Hill. +
+ For treasurer, Michael F. Cunningham. +
+ For auditor, Maxwell R. Brothers. +
+ For attorney, Stephen L. Richards. +

In a convention that, considering the various combinations that have been used to disorganize and disintegrate the party, was remarkable for its attendance, its interest and enthusiasm, the Democrats yesterday at the Grand theatre formulated the ticket above set forth for the consideration of the voters in the campaign that is now opening. The attendance at the morning session was not large, but in the afternoon the first floor of the Grand was well filled and some of the gallery seats were occupied.

No voting district in the city was unrepresented and most of them were represented by the full strength of their delegations. There wasn't a great deal of oratory. The delegates were not assembled to make long speeches or to hear them. They acted more like a gathering of business men, assembled to perform a serious duty, to perform that duty carefully and painstakingly and to occupy as little time as possible with it. A business man, once he has formed one of the most substantial in the city—John Dern—presided over the convention from beginning to end. The general direction the business was transacted entirely without friction and with the utmost expedition.

Lines Are Unbroken.

In the speeches that were made there was no thought of surrender, no hint of alignment with either of the opposition parties, no utterance that savored of anything save pure Democracy and a belief in the ultimate triumph of the party stands for. The belief was freely expressed that the ticket named, composed as it is of representative citizens of the highest type, would be elected by the voters of Salt Lake City in November. And when the convention adjourned every delegate and every Democratic spectator went away feeling that nothing had been done of which any Democrat need be ashamed. They felt that the ticket he defeated the city will be the real loser.

All of the real work of the convention was done during the afternoon session between the hours of 2 and 3:30 o'clock. The morning session was devoted entirely to perfecting the organization by the naming of committees and the transaction of routine business. At the afternoon session the delegates were made. There was perfect harmony throughout, from the opening talk by City Chairman Cunningham to the motion to adjourn. It was a convention, take it by and large, that must have made every Democrat present glad to belong to the party and eager to take his place on the firing line.

SHORT TALK BY DERN.

Feature of Morning Session of the Convention.

As usual, the delegates were slow in assembling. It was 11 o'clock before the ward caucuses to name members of committees were over and City Chairman M. F. Cunningham called the gathering to order. Mr. Cunningham spoke briefly. He laughingly referred at the outset to the meagre attendance by saying it would be proper to refer to those assembled as an example of the survival of the fittest.

"I have been told," he went on, "that the mission of the Democratic party here is at an end. I have been told that the party should disband and permit its members to ally themselves with thieves in office there is a mission for the Democratic party to perform, and we propose in our platform and through our candidates to have the party here on political lines or we will divide on religious lines, and the Democratic party, having the best interests of the city at heart, is determined that the division shall be upon political lines."

"And I want to say to you, my friends, that as long as there are thieves in office there is a mission for the Democratic party to perform, and we propose in our platform and through our candidates to have the party here on political lines or we will divide on religious lines, and the Democratic party, having the best interests of the city at heart, is determined that the division shall be upon political lines."

Mr. Cunningham announced the selection of John Dern for temporary chairman and Perley A. Hill for temporary secretary, both appointments being received with tremendous applause.

Richard and Ashby Snow were named as a committee to escort Mr. Dern to the chair.

Dern Makes a Talk.

Mr. Dern's appearance on the platform was the signal for another outburst of approval. The temporary chairman said he didn't know of any good reason why the committee should have selected him. It had always been the custom to name an orator for temporary chairman, a man who could speak and who was known. But the committee had told him that all it wanted from him was a business talk, and this he proposed to give.

"I am now, as always," continued Mr. Dern, "at the command of the Democratic party. I believe the time has come when success is awaiting the Democratic party in this city. The time has come when Democrats who have been led away by false promises and error of their way and are ready to return to the fold. The attendance is sparse this morning, but the Democrats will turn out on mass this afternoon to nominate strong candidates. When we do this we will know we have done our duty."

Mr. Dern spoke in terms of the highest praise of the last Democratic administration and of Richard P. Morris, former mayor. The people should have been ashamed of voting Morris out of office. No business man who had a first

INSANE WOMAN DROWNS HERSELF AND DAUGHTER

**Little One Made Desperate Struggle for Life—Tragedy at
Johnson Lake, in Outskirts of Los Angeles.**

Los Angeles, Sept. 17.—Driven insane by brooding over her ill health and the protracted absence of her husband in Iowa, Mrs. Anna Baker, 31 years of age, left the home of her brother-in-law last night, accompanied by her 7-year-old daughter, and proceeded to the shores of Johnson lake, in the eastern city limits, where she hurled herself and daughter into the deep waters of the lake.

After searching all night, a rescue party, headed by William Phillips, her brother-in-law, found the bodies of the woman and child at 8 o'clock this morning. The child's head was showing above the surface of the lake and the mother's arms were clasped around its body. They had been dead many hours. After writing a note, which she placed under a rock and left on the front porch of the residence, the woman, carrying her child, boarded a Garvanza car at 8:30 o'clock and went to the end of the line. From there she started in the direction of the lake, a short way distant. This was the last seen of them alive.

Contents of Note Left Behind.

The note which she left, written partly in ink and partly in pencil, read as follows:

"I want to save my little darling from this world. You will find us in Johnson's lake."

"Telephone to some friends of ours in Streator; to Ed Baker or Rev. Walters, so that Rev. Walters will tell Fred's folks and they will send a strong strength the insane efforts of her mother."

my folks. Rev. Morlock or Rev. Busse if they are in here, and some one should telephone from Streator to Fred that his father is sick. He should come to Streator. Don't telephone to the folks direct."

Husband Did Not Return.

Fred Baker, an Iowa farmer, his wife and daughter, came to Los Angeles two years ago from Cylinder, Ia. The wife was in ill health and she failed to improve. A year ago the husband returned to Iowa to look after affairs in connection with his farm. He did not return, and brooding over his absence and her continual ill health led to Mrs. Baker's act of last night.

The husband and relatives in Streator, Ill., were notified today of the tragedy. Mrs. Alvina Phillips, sister of the dead woman, when informed of the discovery of the bodies, collapsed, and she is in a serious condition. She became hysterical and it is feared that the tragedy may affect her mind. The father of Mrs. Baker is Rev. William Schuster, pastor of the United Evangelical church of Streator, Ill.

Little One Fought for Life.

It was evident from the manner in which the grass and weeds on the shore of the lake, near where the bodies were found, were trodden down, that a struggle had taken place and that the little girl had resisted to the limit of her strength the insane efforts of her mother.

PINKERTON FOUND DEAD.

Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 17.—W. R. Bacon, superintendent of the Pinkerton detective agency of this city, was found dead in his room today. Heart disease is supposed to have been the cause of his death. He came to this city from the east when the Los Angeles office was opened, about 1900.

WRECK IN WISCONSIN.

Racine, Wis., Sept. 17.—Slippery rails caused a collision between the forward end of a southbound freight and rear of a northbound passenger train on the Chicago & Northwestern railroad this morning, resulting in the injury of five dining car employees, the freight engineer, fireman and two passengers, and the demolition of a passenger coach and the diner.

GENTLE GRAFTERS TAKE \$3,000 FROM LOGAN MAN IN SALT LAKE

**Saloon Man Succumbs to Old Foot Race Game—Elaborate
Scheme With Many Points of Contact.**

Three thousand dollars were taken away from J. I. Edwards, a prominent saloon man of Logan, through the old foot race game. With but a few variations the game, which was played in the saloon, was identical with the one that has been shelved for years by almost all bunco men as a "dead" one.

Suggested a Transfer.

"They told me that the race had been fixed and that Levy was to win, though the Denver people were going to bet on Boyle. I was to bet their money, as they wanted some reliable man to do this in order that the public wouldn't think it was a fake. They said they would pay all my expenses and give me a percentage of the money."

"Three weeks or more ago we went to Denver. When I got there they wanted me to transfer \$5,000 from my bank account in Logan to a Denver bank. They said that this was necessary in order for me to get some standing in the community. I refused to do this and decided to return to Logan. The thing didn't look good to me. I was only in Denver about twelve hours when I returned home."

"Boyle and Levy said they had arranged to have the race at Denver pulled off on Sept. 20 and left at the same time that I did. They said they went to Pocatello and arranged for a race between Jack Ryan of Idaho and Levy, to be pulled off at Pocatello on Sept. 27 for \$50 a side. From Pocatello they returned to Logan and stayed about a week, then left saying they were going back to Denver."

A Runner From Ely.

"I got a telephone from Boyle from Ogden the next day saying that there was a Denver about twelve hours when I returned home."

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names as M. Levy and Charles Boyle came to Logan. Levy said he was from Seattle and Boyle said that he was born and raised near Lehi, and that both he and his wife were school teachers some where in the southern part of Utah. Boyle professed to be foot racers, though Levy was acknowledged to be the better of the two. They said they had come to Logan to get someone to bet money on a foot race between the two to be pulled off in Denver on Aug. 18.

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